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THE DAYTwo Years Ago
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CHANGES come so rapidly and events crowd so swiftly on each other's heels that one is apt to forget the shape of things a few years ago. During September-October 1952, there was heavy fighting in Korea; truce talks had been broken off and there was fighting in Indo-China as well. The situation in the Middle East was no better. Dr Mosadeq had finally rejected the Anglo-American proposals for a settlement of the oil dispute and was proposing to break off diplomatic relations with the United Kingdom (which he later did). British relations with Egypt were strained; there was as yet no settlement of the Sudan question; negotiations about the Suez Canal Zone seemed outside the region of practical politics and the split between Britain and Egypt was having ill effects on relations with the other Arab states. Nor were their relations with each other by any means all that could be desired. A grim picture, but contrast it with the situation today. Not only have Anglo-Iranian diplomatic relations been restored, but what seemed beyond all hope two years ago—the oil dispute has been finally settled. The effect of this can be a stabilising factor for the whole area. An equal change has come over Anglo-Egyptian relations; the Sudan question, which had helped to embitter those relations for the past thirty years, is out of the way and the country is moving towards self-government.

The other question—of the Suez Canal and the final withdrawal of British troops after over seventy years—is virtually settled. True, the treaty has not yet been signed, but Mr Anthony Nutting is in Cairo to clean up the last remaining details and final ratification appears certain. The result means opening up an entirely new chapter in the Middle East for it puts an end to the Anglo-Egyptian conflict which has been a constant and damaging factor in Middle Eastern affairs since the close of the 1948 war. The black spot is still, of course, the tension between the Arab states and Israel, but even here the change in the overall picture has made it possible for the British offer, with some hope that it can prove useful, of its good offices to bring about a settlement in this powder keg area. It is too early to judge the outcome, but the offer will be very seriously considered—that would have been impossible a few years ago.

Ship From
Hongkong
Aground

Singapore Oct. 1. The 5,697-ton Bahadur went aground off Pulau Bakum island, south of Singapore, yesterday afternoon.

The ship arrived from Hongkong in the morning. It was heading for Ceylon with a cargo of rice after taking on bunkers at Bakum island.

An attempt will be made to refloat her today. — Reuter.

**Fire Quickly
Put Out At
Shek Kip Mei**

TWO INJURED

A fire broke out in a stone hut at the far end of Shek Kip Mei—Resettlement Area this morning and two people were injured.

The fire started when a man smoking a cigarette entered the hut and accidentally flicked the ash into a solution of rubber and petrol. This caused a flash and the hut was ablaze in an instant.

A worker in the hut at the time suffered burn injuries to his hands and was admitted to Kowloon Hospital. The other victim was a woman who suffered slight injuries when she dashed into the hut in an effort to rescue a sewing machine.

Fire operations were directed by Divisional Officer V. C. Seymour. Prompt work by the Fire Brigade brought the blaze under control in half-an-hour.

Chief Fire Officer W. J. Corrigan was also at the scene.

**Man On Arson
Charge After
Tai Hang Fire**

A Chinese, who is alleged to have started the blaze in North Point early this morning by firing his hut, No. 112 Tin Hau Templo Hill East, was termed "simple" according to medical evidence and was remanded for seven days for mental observation by Mr Hin-shing Lo.

At Central this morning, Tang Fook alias Fal Fook, 38, babbled incoherently and had to be warned by the Magistrate not to say anything that might be used in evidence later, when the charge of arson was read to him.

Inspector N. R. Reynolds is in charge of the case. (See Back Page for Full Story of Fire)

Ghosts Still Walk At Borley

Borley Rectory—Britain's famous haunted house—was destroyed by fire fifteen years ago. But the poltergeist's strange eerie "grows", the footsteps and the outline of the Blue Nun ARE STILL THERE TODAY!

"The China Mail" brings you a new story about the famous old owner telling you the strange things he saw just recently. It is the first and now the only entitled "THE WORLD'S STRANGEST STORIES". Further articles in the series will be published.

"Don't forget your 20-page week-end "Mail" has something for everyone in the family and it tries to cover as many interests as possible." The Saturday supplement "The Critical Column" will be published every Wednesday and Saturday in full.

The China Mail also publishes this Sunday "Wallace Ng's" book on the subject "Was the World War II in 1944 than in 1945?" which has been awarded first prize and the "China Mail" cup by the Literary Group of the Anglo-British Club.

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London Nine-Nation Talks On German Rearmament

FULL AGREEMENT EXPECTED TODAY

**Foreign Office Says:
Conference Is
Over The Hump'**

**NARROW MARGIN OF
DISAGREEMENT LEFT**

London, Oct. 1. All official and unofficial sources in London were predicting this morning that the nine-nation talks on rearming Germany and arranging a new defence system for Western Europe would be concluded successfully by today or Saturday at the latest.

Evidence of this was seen in the cables which arrived at the China Mail office this morning.

A British Foreign Office spokesman said in London last night that after the afternoon session, the ministers were now "over the hump" in their negotiations.

The Belgian Foreign Minister, M. Paul Henri Spaak told the press the conference might reach final agreement on Friday and the drafting of the final communiqué would then take place on Saturday.

He said there were two questions still outstanding: 1. control of arms manufacture, which would be referred to specialists for further study and this would take about a fortnight to three weeks and 2. distribution of U.S. equipment to European powers.

The American Secretary of State, Mr Dulles, he said, was still opposed to the establishment of a European organisation as the agent through which American arms would be delivered but he hoped Mr Dulles's attitude was not final.

Our own correspondent said Dr Adenauer was now so satisfied with the progress of the London conference he believed it would be successfully concluded within the next day or so.

United Press said the London conference swept aside the chief remaining obstacles to agreement on German rearmament yesterday and brought the meeting to the "door-step of final agreement."

Changed Atmosphere

The news agency said one delegate emerged from the conference and told the press that only "a very narrow margin of disagreement" was left to bar the way to full agreement.

Reuter said a sign of the changed atmosphere in the nine-power talks was the new jovial relationship between M. Pierre Mendes-France, the French Premier and Dr Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor.

The two statesmen who are central figures in the conference greeted each other with smiles and claps on the back today. They spent several minutes laughing and talking to each other partly in French and partly through an interpreter.

Previously they regarded each other with some aloofness.

Last night's proposal by Mr Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, to keep four British divisions on the continent till the end of the century seems completely to have changed the picture.

Mr John Foster Dulles plans to leave London on Saturday by air for Washington. American sources said tonight, and informants said they expect the conference to end before he leaves.—Reuter, United Press, France-Presse, London Express Service.

(For summary of yesterday's talk see Back Page)

RED CHINA'S NATIONAL DAY**U.S. Navy Cancels All Shore Leave In Hongkong****Move To Avoid Any Possible Incident?**

The United States naval authorities in Hongkong have canceled shore leave for all naval personnel in Hongkong today as a "precautionary measure". The celebration of the Chinese People's Republic is being celebrated throughout China.

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Ban Atomic & Hydrogen Bombs Says Russia

Vyshinsky Presents New Soviet Disarmament Plan

New York, Sept. 30.

Mr Andrei Vyshinsky, the Soviet delegate, tonight presented to the United Nations General Assembly a "new" disarmament plan taking as "a base" the proposals advanced last June by Britain and France.

The Soviet plan called for the unconditional prohibition of atomic, hydrogen and other weapons of mass destruction, a "substantial reduction" in conventional armaments, and "the establishment of international control over the implementation of these decisions, using as a basis the proposals of France and the United Kingdom of June 11, 1954."

Mr Vyshinsky outlined his plan at the end of a speech lasting an hour and 40 minutes.

U.S. Reaction

Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, the United States delegate, declared immediately after the Soviet proposal had been presented to the Assembly, that it would receive "our careful and earnest consideration."

Mr Lodge noted that the proposal seems to denote something or a change in the attitude of the USSR toward two of the important principles which the United States has been trying for years to get the Soviets to accept."

These were first that nuclear weapons and conventional armaments and armed forces were all related parts of the total picture and must be dealt with in a balanced fashion, and secondly that disarmament came by negotiation, "not by unilateral action."

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Mr Vyshinsky cited the seizure of the Soviet tanker "Turkestan" by Nationalists on June 23, 1954 and charged that "according to information available the members of the crew of this Soviet ship are being subjected to flagrant coercion."

"Another instance of these criminal activities was the seizure by Kominflot naval vessels of the Polish merchant ship President Gotwid on May 12, 1954 and France on October 4, 1954. A number of other piratical acts have been carried out by the Chiang Kai-shek forces against merchant ships of Denmark, the United Kingdom and other countries."

"Such activities are gross violations of the universally recognised principle of freedom of navigation on the high seas, and therefore which the United Nations is in duty bound to condemn in strong terms,"—United Press and Reuter.

The vote ended a three-day debate on the recent proposal of the Foreign Minister, Simon Amato Piccioni, to defend his seat. Both now in custody charged with the murder of Wilma Montez.

Simon Amato Piccioni, who had been held in custody charged with the murder of Wilma Montez, was released yesterday after showing through the respect for the judiciary.

The Government won a similar confidence vote in the Senate (Upper House) last Saturday.

Christian Democratic, Liberal, Republican and Social Democratic deputies voted for the Government. Two Communists, one Socialist, Nationalist, Conservative and Neo-Confucian voted against the Government.

Making The Right

Tory Wins**Bye-Election**

London, Oct. 1.

The British Government held the seat in the Parliamentary bye-election at Croydon East yesterday.

In a three-cornered fight the result was:

Vice-Admiral John Hughes Hall (Cons.) 31,840 votes;

Mr. James Wellwood (Labour) 13,544 votes;

Mr. James Walker (Liberal) 3,060 votes.

The Conservative majority was 8,004 votes.

In the 1951 General Election Sir Herbert Williams won the seat for Sir Winston Churchill's Conservative Party in a straight fight against Labour by 5,657 votes.

The bye-election was caused by the death recently of Sir Herbert Williams.

Commenting on the result Vice-Admiral Hughes Hall said: "It has毫不容情地 demonstrated the continued confidence in the Government of the Country."

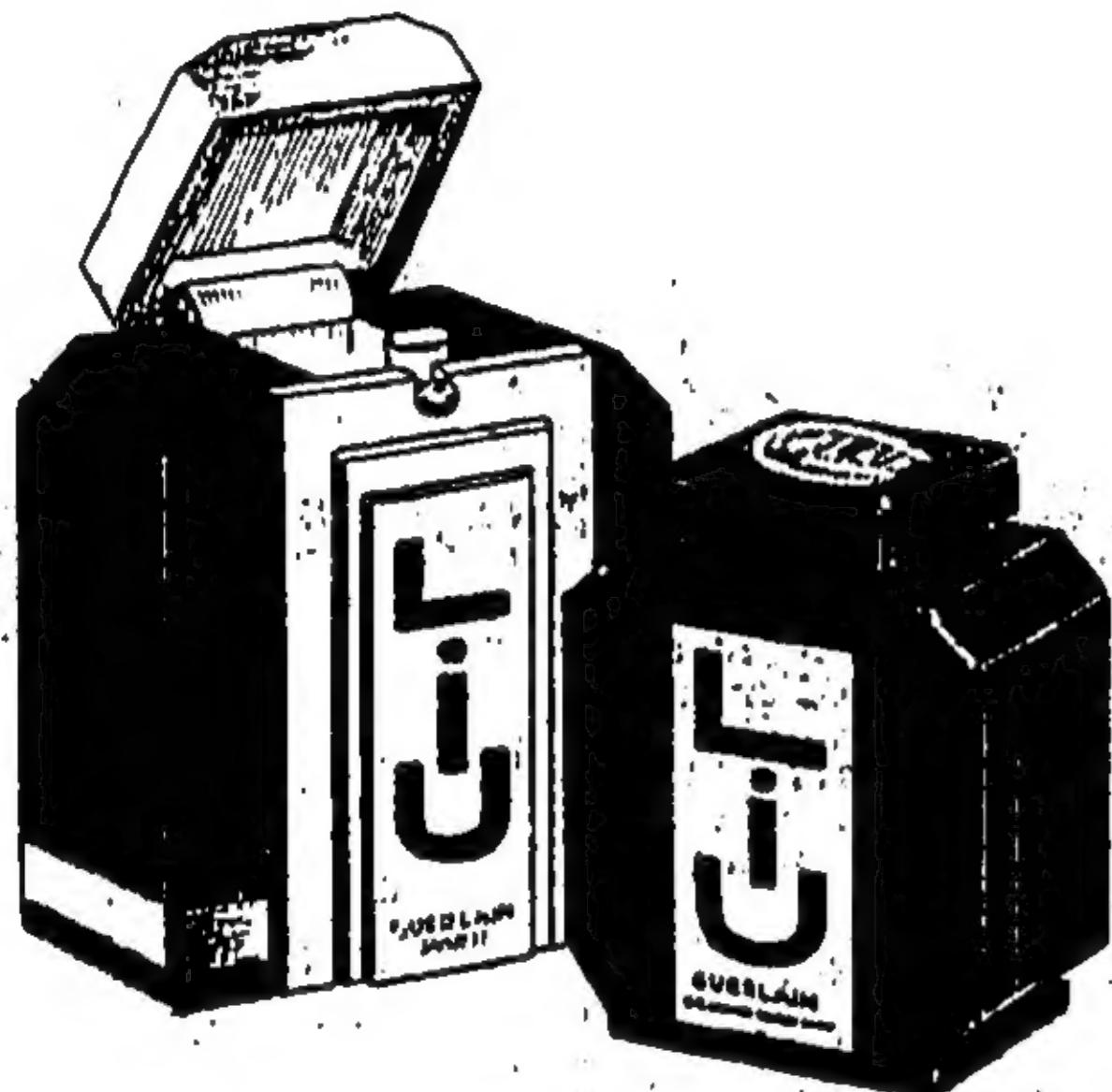


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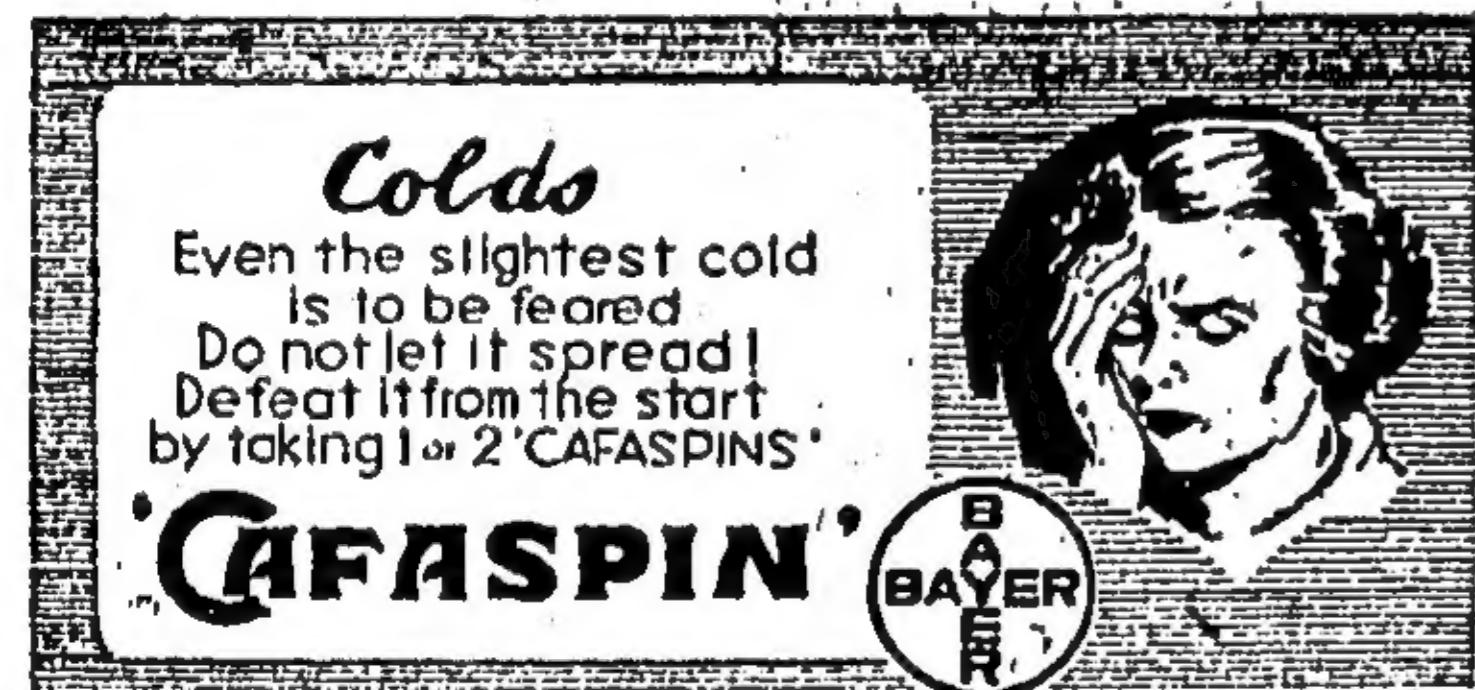
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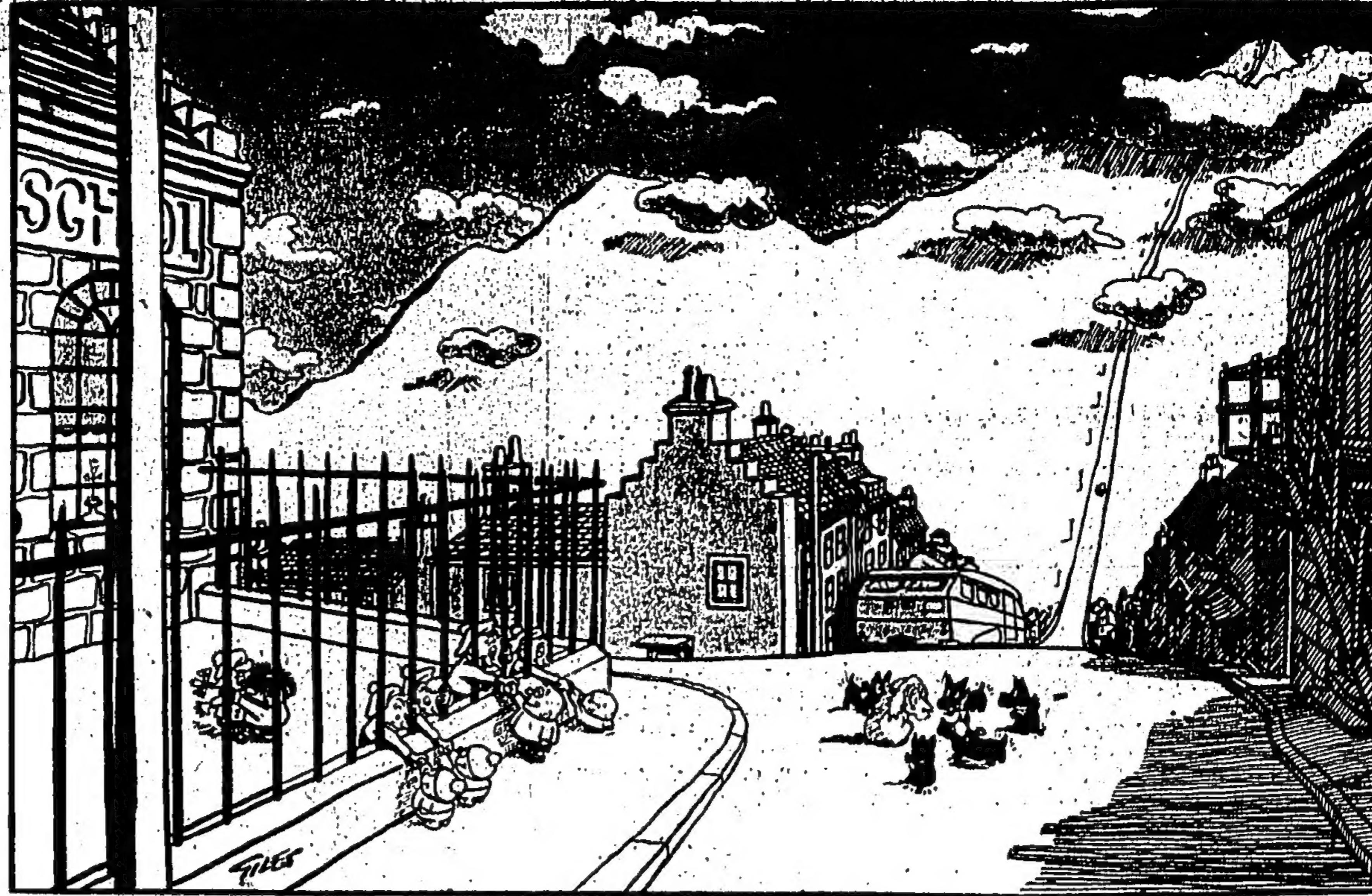


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Cross Harbour Race
K.G.V. Swimming Sports
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St. John Ambulance Brigade
American University Club
Silver Mine Bay Holiday Camp
Opening of Endeavours School
St. Joseph's Old Boys Association
Maitre Lepaulle at Alliance Francaise
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GOODBYE TO THE HAGGENACHES... as the Giles Family takes the high road out of Scotland



"Goodbye, and don't forget—next holiday you bring the Coronation Stone and we'll get you a couple of salmon."

London Express Service

A LOVE STORY TO TOUCH OUR HEARTS—OR WAS IT?

By John Deane Potter



DONALD and MELINDA MACLEAN

DONALD and Melinda—is this the greatest love story ever told? Some would have us believe it is. Mrs. Dunbar, Melinda's mother, for one.

She provided many of the facts in the brilliant account of the Maclean case recently published in the News Chronicle. And the tone of the articles was strongly sympathetic to Melinda.

No doubt Geoffrey Hoare, who wrote the articles, believes in the love story. Many others believe in it also.

Perhaps they are right. A case supporting the love story can be made out.

On that May evening in 1951 when Donald disappeared Melinda had two children, Fergus, aged 7, and Donald, 5. They had both been born by Caesarian section. The third baby was due in a few weeks—on June 14.

This fact alone shows an extraordinary devotion and love for her husband. Few women would look forward, after two difficult births, demanding an operation, to a third child which would have to be born the same way.

In contrast is Donald's behaviour towards his slim American wife. His strange character was always most noticeable in his relationship with her.

MEEKNESS

VERY often—and particularly during her pregnancy—the immaculate Foreign Office departmental head would not catch the 5.19 from Victoria to dine with his wife and play with his children.

He stayed in London and she did not hear from him for two or three days. Sometimes he was drunk. Sometimes he preferred the company of his friends. Few women would put up with such behaviour.

But apparently Melinda secret.

bore it with a meekness that would have surprised an Early Victorian housewife.

This was the situation on the eve of Donald's 38th birthday in May 1954, when he suddenly announced he would bring a friend home. Never mention the country to Donald. In view of his position and previous behaviour

haviour she set about making him a birthday cake. The friend was Burgess.

He left after dinner at nine o'clock. He went to Southampton with Burgess and disappeared behind the Iron Curtain.

OBEYENT

WHEN he left there is now no question that Donald was confident of his wife's unswerving love and obedience. For events have shown that he felt he could depend upon her unquestioning devotion to receive secret messages from him, however mystifying they were and however sinister the methods he used to get in touch with her.

Obviously he never thought for a moment she would question his motives or betray his whereabouts or the contact men his friends employed.

How much that confidence was justified! Even to her mother, who was her closest confidante apart from her husband, she never uttered one word which would give any clue to her missing husband's secret.

She took a flat in Geneva to be ready when the word came to join him. In a letter, according to Geoffrey Hoare, she said: "This is the first time I have lived in the middle of a city for years, and I simply love it."

He was good-looking and a Foreign Office man who would perhaps be an ambassador one day.

She was a 23-year-old American girl who had spent a year in Paris studying in a depository way at the Sorbonne.

It was a significant moment in Western Europe. At that time Communism had probably reached its highest peak. The intellectual and political

leadership had probably

reached its lowest point.

On that May night in 1951

Donald Maclean, the same

woman who had been married

to a Communist

for three years,

had become a Communist

for three years,

British Foreign Office looked the other way while Donald Maclean fled, glad to be rid of a senior official who might cause one of the greatest international sensations ever known.

They further believed the FBI stumbled across a link with him in the course of their anti-Red investigations.

Somehow Maclean may have found out about this.

If Melinda shared his political views how much easier and understandable her decision to join him would be.

There would be no unbearable remorse at leaving her mother. There would be no pangs on renouncing Britain, the land of her marriage, and America, the land of her birth.

There would be no tears at the prospect of taking her three children to a foreign land where they will always be at a disadvantage and will for ever bear the stigma of their parents' misconduct.

Can her decision in fact be understood except as a deliberate choice to bring them up as Communists? Can their secret flight be explained save on political grounds?

The real answer is unknown. But the argument continues.

Is Melinda as much of a Communist as her husband? Was she perhaps the main-spring of his actions all along?

Or is this, after all, the greatest love story ever told?

THE ODD WORLD OF A FISH

By LES ARMOUR

EVER wondered what a fish's world is like?

Zoologists are wondering—and the answer so far is that it isn't anything like you'd expect. If you picture a fish groping about in the dark waters, feeling a little wet and miserable, and having a devil of a time finding his way about, you're almost certainly wrong.

Recent discoveries, in fact, seem to indicate that the fish experiences very few of the things you would experience if you went for a long underwater swim. But he does experience a lot of things that you couldn't experience no matter how hard you tried.

For instance, Cambridge Zoologist Dr H. W. Liesmann reports that minnows are 512 times as sensitive to cane sugar as human beings, 260 times as sensitive to rose oil, and 184 times as sensitive to salt.

SENSE OF SMELL

A fish, moreover, can react to temperature changes of as little as seven-tenths of a degree Centigrade.

As for seeing, a lot of fish seem to move about mostly at night. Many more live so far below the surface that little light ever penetrates. They aren't blind, but many probably see nothing but very hazy shapes.

Their sense of smell, however, is so highly developed that they can distinguish between the smells of the plants and animals surrounding two rivers, a few miles from one another.

That probably helps a salmon find his way back to the river in which it spawned after a journey which has taken it hundreds and even thousands of miles out to sea.

The fish can also react to tiny amounts of chemicals in the water.

On several occasions when zoologists have put their hands into a stream while salmon were migrating upstream, the tiny change in the environment was enough to stop the migration, and, in some cases, enough to start the fish swimming downstream again.

NEVER WONDERS

What, then, do we make of the fish's world?

It is full of intense smells—some probably so intense that they blot out everything else. The fish also undergoes what would be to us queer feelings of uneasiness and unpleasantness when he swims into water containing minute quantities of chemicals that we wouldn't even notice.

And he is driven by bewildering desires to get back to water which smells and feels just like the water where he was born.

If we had the sense organs of a fish, it would probably seem all very difficult.

But the fish never wonders. He always does what comes naturally.

TAIKOO SUGAR HALF CUBES GRANULATED ICING CASTER



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Wise Player Often Takes What's Given

By OSWALD JACOBY

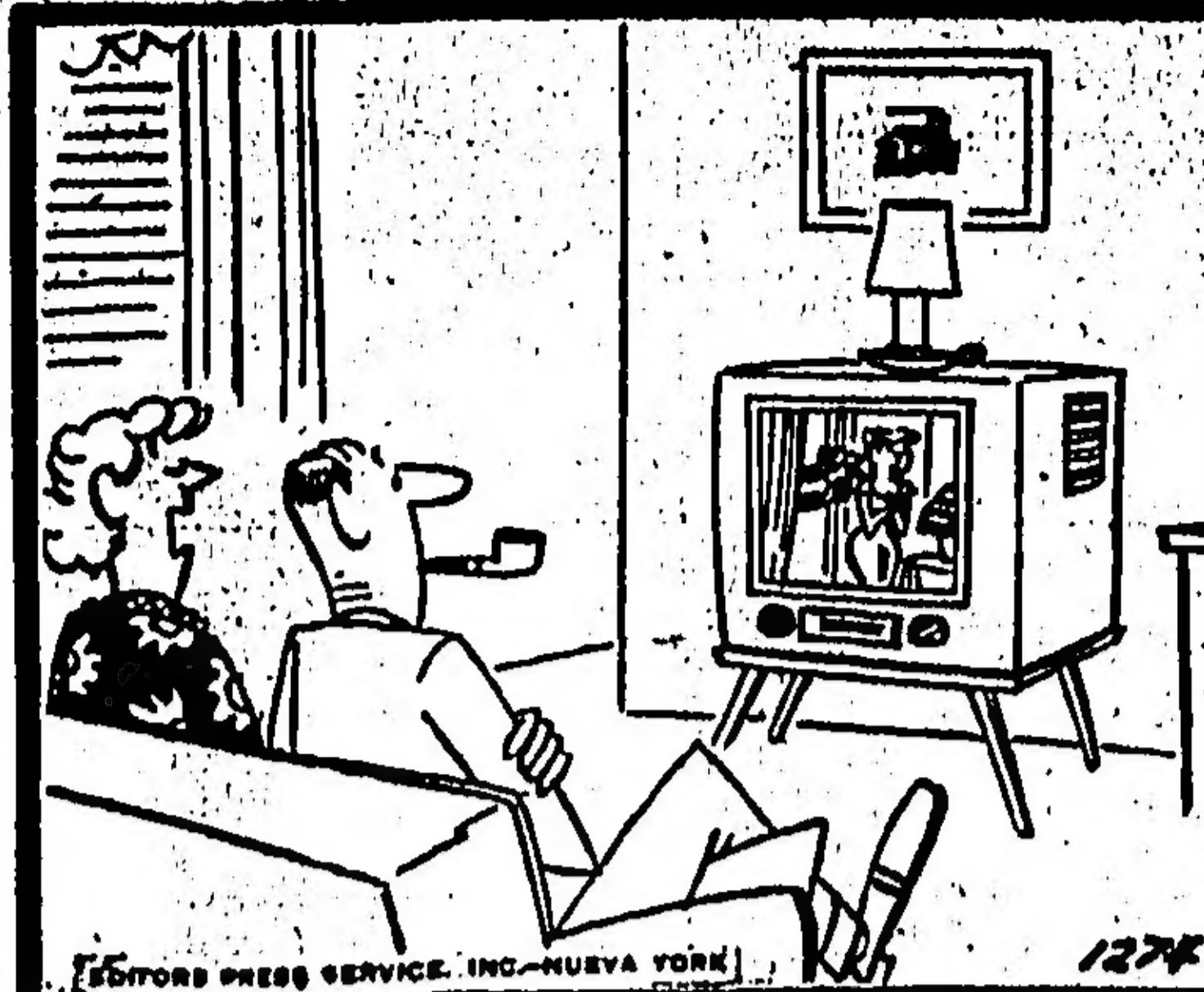
SOUTH thought longingly of bidding a grand slam when he got a positive response to his very proper opening bid of two hearts. The Blackwood Convention revealed that North had one ace, but then the repeat Blackwood (the bid of five no-trump) showed that North had only one king. South therefore reluctantly continued himself with a small slam contract.

As events turned out, even the small slam was more than enough. West found a very pretty deceptive defence. West opened the ten of diamonds, and South won with the king.

After a brief consideration of his resources, declarer led a club to dummy's king and finessed the queen of spades. West casually played a low spade, and South felt disappointed that he hadn't after all bid a grand slam.

Declarer led his remaining club to dummy's ace, and tried the spade finesse again. This time, of course, West took his king. West then led the jack of clubs, allowing his partner to discard his last spade.

South had to ruff the third round of clubs, and now he discovered to his horror that his small slam had disappeared. If he drew trumps, he would



YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

BORN today, you are extremely calling for manual work if there is no one else to do it.

You have a friendly, sociable nature but accept very few into the inner circle of your closest friends. When it comes to marriage, you must be cautious, for you are likely to be attracted by outward appearance. All the things you value first will only repeat at leisure if you wed someone in haste whose mental and cultural capacities cannot keep pace with your own.

Among those born on this date are: Anthony Biddle, explorer; Lauri Untermeyer, author, poet and painter; George Bernanos, playwright; Vladimir Horowitz, musician; Ted Healy, stage comedian.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Guard against health upset. Perhaps you are attempting too much in order to catch up on your schedule! Don't overdo.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—The first few days will be a week-end. Make your plans for some pleasurable entertaining.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—You should be able to follow out any special plans you have made for the day successfully.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—For the first week you have objective. The signs have turned very definitely in your favour, so act.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)—Get an early start this morning, for things begin to slow up for you when afternoon and evening come.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20)—Follow through on your previously made plans. You should find everyone thoroughly co-operative.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19)—This time cuts red and stirs up new energy for the coming week, which will be a busy one for you.

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 18)—You can have things all your way now. It is a good time to be aggressive, but remember you have been only thinking out.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—You may have to forgo pleasure to consummate some business deal which comes up for decision. A good day for it, too!

CANCER (June 22-July 22)—A fine time to increase your circle of friends. Invite newcomers to your home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)—Your sparkling personality should help you in gaining your independent ideals now. Hold true to your ideals.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Be an independent as you wish to be.

CARD SENSE

With both sides vulnerable, the bidding has been:

North East South West
1 Dmd Double Redbl. 1 Heart
Pass ?

You, South, hold: Spades A-Q-J-2, Heart 8; Diamonds Q-7-3, Clubs A-Q-3-2. What do you do?

A—Bid two spades. You are willing to insist on a game and hint at a slam. If North cannot support spades, you will reach at least a game in diamonds, or possibly clubs.

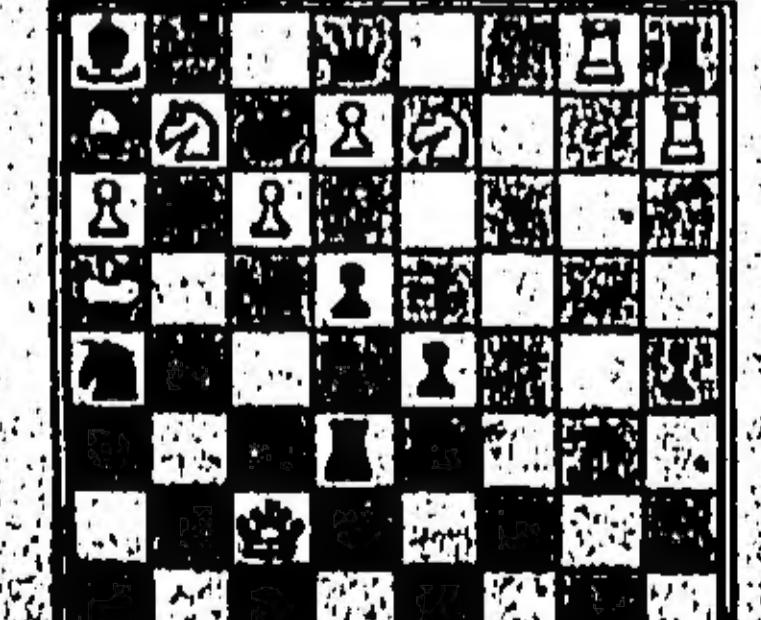
TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades K-5-3, Hearts 6-3, Diamonds Q-7-3, Clubs A-K-J-2. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CHESS PROBLEM

By H. J. GOODARE
Black, 9 pieces.



White, 10 pieces.
White to play. State in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. K-B1
2. K-B2
3. K-B3
4. K-B4
5. K-B5
6. K-B6
7. K-B7
8. K-B8
9. K-B9
10. K-B10

"So," continued Mr Punch, "the only substantial thing this Polar Bear could find to eat was now and then a walrus, and now and then a sea gull, and now and then a reindeer. But what he liked best of all, he now least of all, was that was a seal. He would have given anything for a seal except that he didn't have anything to give and there weren't any seals around waiting to be caught. They kept as far away as they could from hungry polar bears."

"But one day our Polar Bear got lucky. He broke a hole in the ice with his strong claws and walked quietly beside the pool in the spring of the year. (8) Tame Peter (sing.). (9) One kind of Trinity House brother. (10) Peter can't be any name," said Shakespeare. (11) She is to be found unnervered. (12) The dog. (13) Longword, and a bit of a fool. (14) A ribbit, a scuttle, (15) A white heart of the matter. (16) Down.

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THE MAORI RACE IS FAR FROM DOOMED

Wellington, N.Z., Sept. 30.
The Maori race, believed by many last century
to be doomed, has nearly trebled its number
during the last 50 years.

The last official New Zealand census, taken in
1951, recorded a Maori population of 115,576 out of a
total of just over 2 millions. In the 1896 census, it
was 42,113.

A "Maori" for census purposes
is any person who has at least
half Maori blood and the balance
European.

The rapid growth of the Maori
during the last 30 years represents
an average natural increase of 2.6 per cent a year.

At the end of 1952, there were
56,780 Maoris or 43 per cent of
the total Maori population under
16 years of age. Only 29 per
cent of Europeans are in the
same age group.

This rapid increase—by 1972
there will probably be nearly a
quarter of a million—raises many
problems for politicians, tribal
leaders, educationalists and
many others, which cannot be
postponed.

The great majority of the
Maori population live in areas
away from the main demands of
labour. But a drift away from
the rural areas is beginning and
many more Maoris are now seeking
jobs in industry, breaking
away from their traditional role
as farm workers.

Labour shortages in towns
during World War II encouraged
this trend and in addition special
steps were taken to recruit
Maoris from country areas to
fill jobs in the cities.

In the Auckland urban area,
the Maori population multiplied
more than four times between
1936 and 1951.

WIDE RANGE

It is to be used in a wide
range of industries, managements
and Europeans in general will
have to give him the opportunity
to demonstrate his usefulness.

The recent experiments in
Maori apprenticeship carried out by
the Department of Labour have shown that Maori youths
can readily acquire trade skills
and hold their own with their
European contemporaries.

In some cases, certain social
problems have arisen as a result
of the movement of Maoris to
the cities. This will be
accentuated in the years to come
unless Europeans cast aside some
of their prejudices and accept
the Maori not only as a useful
member of the labour force but
socially as well—China Mail
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FREEDOM THREATENED

Roman Catholic Bishop
Bernard J. Shelly warned

British Wool Industry Threatened

London, Sept. 30.

The mass circulation
Daily Express today
claimed that the British
wool and cotton industries
are being threatened by
Japan and that this is a
"danger" which will grow.

"A bombshell drops
through the letterbox of a
firm of British textile ex-
porters—in the form of a
polite note from one of its
Middle East customers."

This independent right-
wing newspaper declared.

"Courteously, the note
points out that the customer
has decided not to order British
worsted cloth. The reason, it
explains, is that the Japanese
are now selling worsted
cloth at a third under the
British price."

"Take note, Yorkshire,
now the wool industry is
threatened by Japan, just
as the cotton industry of
Lancashire is imperilled."

"And the danger will
grow. It is sure to grow,
unless the Government
gains the courage to claim
tariff freedom. And with
it the right to protect Britain's
vital industries through the extension
of Imperial Preference."

China Mail Special.

RAVI RECEDED

Lahore, Sept. 30.

The flood danger in Lahore
appeared to be over today as
the Ravi River began receding but
some 2,000 villages in nine
Punjab districts were reported
submerged by the Sutlej River,
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